

# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

Eastern District of Tennessee

State of Tennessee

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Plaintiff(s)*

v.

Xavier Becerra, in his official capacity as Secretary of  
Health and Human Services, et al.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Defendant(s)*

Civil Action No. 3:23cv384

## SUMMONS IN A CIVIL ACTION

To: *(Defendant's name and address)* U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
Attn: Francis M. Hamilton III, United States Attorney  
for the Eastern District of Tennessee  
800 Market Street, Suite 211  
Knoxville, TN 37902

A lawsuit has been filed against you.

Within 21 days after service of this summons on you (not counting the day you received it) — or 60 days if you are the United States or a United States agency, or an officer or employee of the United States described in Fed. R. Civ. P. 12 (a)(2) or (3) — you must serve on the plaintiff an answer to the attached complaint or a motion under Rule 12 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The answer or motion must be served on the plaintiff or plaintiff's attorney, whose name and address are:

Office of the Tennessee Attorney General  
Whitney Hermandorfer, Assistant Solicitor General  
Trenton Meriwether, Assistant Attorney General  
Matthew P. Dykstra, Senior Assistant Attorney General  
P.O. Box 20207  
Nashville, Tennessee 37202

If you fail to respond, judgment by default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. You also must file your answer or motion with the court.

Date: 10/24/2023



CLERK OF COURT

*Signature of Clerk or Deputy Clerk*

Civil Action No. \_\_\_\_\_

**PROOF OF SERVICE**

*(This section should not be filed with the court unless required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 4 (l))*

This summons for *(name of individual and title, if any)* \_\_\_\_\_  
was received by me on *(date)* \_\_\_\_\_.

☐ I personally served the summons on the individual at *(place)* \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ on *(date)* \_\_\_\_\_; or

☐ I left the summons at the individual's residence or usual place of abode with *(name)* \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, a person of suitable age and discretion who resides there,  
on *(date)* \_\_\_\_\_, and mailed a copy to the individual's last known address; or

☐ I served the summons on *(name of individual)* \_\_\_\_\_, who is  
designated by law to accept service of process on behalf of *(name of organization)* \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ on *(date)* \_\_\_\_\_; or

☐ I returned the summons unexecuted because \_\_\_\_\_; or

☐ Other *(specify)*: \_\_\_\_\_

My fees are \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for travel and \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for services, for a total of \$ 0.00.

I declare under penalty of perjury that this information is true.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Server's signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Printed name and title*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Server's address*

Additional information regarding attempted service, etc: